

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claims 1-22 (canceled).

Claim 23 (new): A Consumer-to-Business method for consolidating consumer powers in activating market economy, comprising the steps of:

(a) providing a Consumer-to-Business (C2B) network, and a central processing web site which is run and managed in a Central Processing Center (CPC) through said Consumer-to-Business (C2B) network;

(b) accepting registration of one or more invention products in an information database of said C2B network, and storing invention information of said invention products provided by Inventors; wherein said registration comprises the steps of taking part into surveys regarding interests and needs in said invention products for each of said registered Consumers, and storing said information provided by said registered Consumers into a purchasing database;

(c) storing information given by registered consumers regarding to specific needs of product in said information database of said C2B network;

(d) matching at least one invention product in said information database with said information provided by said registered consumers regarding said specific needs of said product;

(e) accepting orders of at least one of said invention products through said Consumer-to-Business (C2B) network from at least one of said registered consumers, in such a manner that said registered consumer is able to decide to selectively purchase said corresponding invention products at a predetermined volume and a predetermined price, and requesting payments from said registered consumers for said ordered invention products of said registered consumers, wherein said registered consumer is also allowed to designate a place for picking up said invention products;

(f) determining and contracting with one or more suppliers as contracted suppliers to produce said ordered invention products at said predetermined volume, wherein said determining and contracting with said suppliers are accomplished through the steps of step of analyzing said purchasing database by said Central Processing Center (CPC) to determine most demanded invention products from said registered

invention products requested by said registered Consumers and leave other said registered invention products with lower demands for further uses, locating potential suppliers and negotiating for best terms and specifications of said demanded invention products by said Central Processing Center (CPC), and placing deposit from said registered Consumers directly to said contracted Supplier upon agreement made between said Central Processing Center (CPC) and said contracted Supplier; and

(g) delivering said order product from said contracted suppliers to said designated place of said registered consumer respectively.

Claim 24 (new): The method, as recited in claim 23, wherein said step (a) further comprises a step (a-1) of verifying said invention information of said invention products in order to be registered in said C2B network to ensure that said invention products are in the state of Reduction-To-Practice.

Claim 25 (new): The method, as recited in claim 24, wherein said step (a) further comprises a step (a-2) of providing a minimum suggested selling price for each of said registered invention products.

Claim 26 (new): The method, as recited in claim 23, wherein the step (c) further comprises a step of inviting said registered Consumers to place acceptable purchasing prices for said registered invention products respectively.

Claim 27 (new): The method, as recited in claim 25, wherein the step (c) further comprises a step of inviting said registered Consumers to place acceptable purchasing prices for said registered invention products respectively.

Claim 28 (new): The method, as recited in claim 26, wherein said step (c) further comprises a step of inviting said registered Consumers to place acceptable purchasing prices for said registered invention products respectively, and said step (d) further comprises a step of using purchasing data analyzed and grouped from said information provided by said registered Consumers to define an actual number of orders needed for each of said registered invention products.

Claim 29 (new): The method, as recited in claim 27, wherein said step (c) further comprises a step of inviting said registered Consumers to place acceptable purchasing prices for said registered invention products respectively, and said step (d) further comprises a step of using purchasing data analyzed and grouped from said

information provided by said registered Consumers to define an actual number of orders needed for each of said registered invention products.

Claim 30 (new): The method, as recited in claim 26, wherein said step (c) further comprises a step of inviting said registered Consumers to place acceptable purchasing prices for said registered invention products respectively, and said step (d) further comprises a step of using purchasing data analyzed and grouped from said information provided by said registered Consumers to define an actual number of orders needed for each of said registered invention products when said purchasing price suggested by said registered Consumers thereto is equal to or more than said suggested selling price thereof.

Claim 31 (new): The method, as recited in claim 27, wherein said step (c) further comprises a step of inviting said registered Consumers to place acceptable purchasing prices for said registered invention products respectively, and said step (d) further comprises a step of using purchasing data analyzed and grouped from said information provided by said registered Consumers to define an actual number of orders needed for each of said registered invention products when said purchasing price suggested by said registered Consumers thereto is equal to or more than said suggested selling price thereof.

Claim 32 (new): The method, as recited in claim 29, wherein said step (c) further comprises the steps of: (c-1) logging on said C2B network by a Consumer; (c-2) determining whether said Consumer logged on is one of said registered Consumer; (c-3) providing a screen of a brief introduction with advertisements along with application form when said logged on Consumer is not one of said registered Consumers; and (c-4) assigning an authorization password for said Consumer to register said Consumer as a new registered Consumer to be capable of entering said C2B network.

Claim 33 (new): The method, as recited in claim 31, wherein said step (c) further comprises the steps of: (c-1) logging on said C2B network by a Consumer; (c-2) determining whether said Consumer logged on is one of said registered Consumer; (c-3) providing a screen of a brief introduction with advertisements along with application form when said logged on Consumer is not one of said registered Consumers; and (c-4) assigning an authorization password for said Consumer to register said Consumer as a new registered Consumer to be capable of entering said C2B network.

Claim 34 (new): The method, as recited in claim 23, further comprising a step of market testing each of said registered invention products by posting surveys in said C2B network, so as to enabling said registered Consumers to indicate interests thereof on said registered invention product.

Claim 35 (new): The method, as recited in claim 27, further comprising a step of market testing each of said registered invention products by posting surveys in said C2B network, so as to enabling said registered Consumers to indicate interests thereof on said registered invention product.

Claim 36 (new): The method, as recited in claim 33, further comprising a step of market testing each of said registered invention products by posting surveys in said C2B network, so as to enabling said registered Consumers to indicate interests thereof on said registered invention product.

Claim 37 (new): The method, as recited in claim 23, wherein said Central Processing Center (CPC) is arranged to analyze and group said stored invention information as invention product data in a plurality of categories.

Claim 38 (new): The method, as recited in claim 33, wherein said Central Processing Center (CPC) is arranged to analyze and group said stored invention information as invention product data in a plurality of categories.

Claim 39 (new): The method, as recited in claim 36, wherein said Central Processing Center (CPC) is arranged to analyze and group said stored invention information as invention product data in a plurality of categories.

Claim 40 (new): The method, as recited in claim 23, wherein said C2B network is an Internet, and said Information Database is an electronic database provided in a programmed central processing web site.

Claim 41 (new): The method, as recited in claim 36, wherein said C2B network is an Internet, and said Information Database is an electronic database provided in a programmed central processing web site.

Claim 42 (new): The method, as recited in claim 39, wherein said C2B network is an Internet, and said Information Database is an electronic database provided in a programmed central processing web site.

Claim 43 (new): The method, as recited in claim 41, wherein said invention products include invention goods or services.

Claim 44 (new): The method, as recited in claim 42, wherein said invention products include invention goods or services.